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I spent some time Monday with BLM staff who are working on the planning process for the Utah monuments. After digesting that discussion and re-reading the final report, I have made some clarifying changes to part 2 (a) and (b) of the "Action Plan" I sent you last week. The revised document is attached.

On Wed, Nov 29, 2017 at 2:08 PM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

Here are my 2 documents

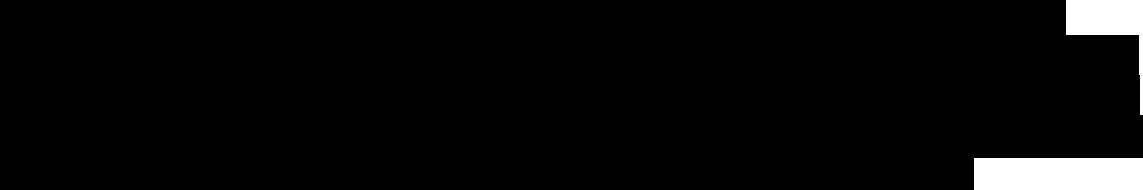
## Action Plan for Monument Management Plan Reviews

### Recommendations Section, Report to the President: Section D. Management Plans:

The DOI heard from many stakeholders that some of its management plans associated with monuments are restrictive and difficult to navigate. When monuments are designated, the underlying land ownership remains, typically including the applicable management authorities associated with the land managing agency. The overriding management framework then becomes the protection of the objects of historic or scientific interest. However, there is discretion in this management “overlay”, and our review reveals that this requirement has at times been too strictly interpreted to impede allowable uses under management plans. The DOI plans to undertake a review of existing monument management plans and update them with those considerations in mind. We believe this can be done in manner that is consistent with public access, infrastructure, traditional use, tribal cultural use, and hunting and fishing rights.” (emphasis provided)

#### **1) Actions to be undertaken**

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#### **2) Process**

a) Summary of uses – At all of the reviewed terrestrial monuments, the managing bureau shall:

i) determine whether the following activities occurred prior to the establishment of the Monument; whether they now occur; if so, whether the overall levels of the activity are restricted or reduced since designation of the monument; and if so, a brief explanation of the reasons for or causes of the reductions or restrictions --

public access via motorized vehicle, on- and –off-road; traditional uses, including but not limited to grazing, hunting, fishing, recreational shooting, gathering, whether by Tribal members or the public, other Tribal cultural uses or activities, and any other activity determined by the bureau as appropriate for inclusion in the review; and

ii) whether roads or trails have been closed or their use restrictions since the designation, and whether repair and maintenance of roads and/or other facilities within the monument have been decreased or eliminated since the designation,

and report within 60 days.

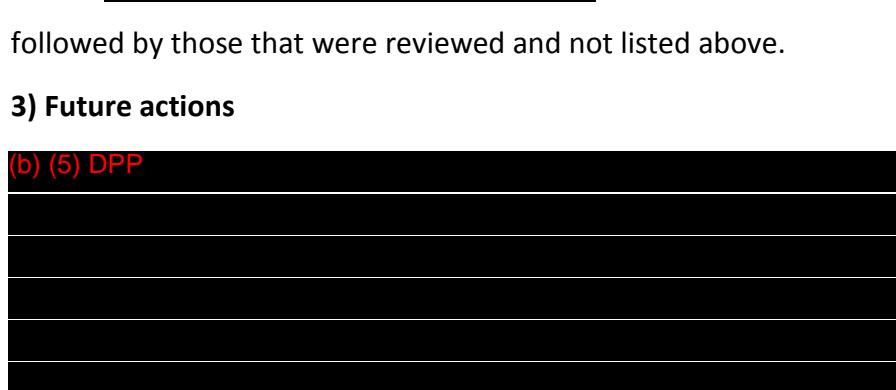
b) Purpose of report – The purpose of this report is to avoid unnecessary review on covered activities that do not occur on individual monuments, or that occur substantially unchanged since designation, while providing Departmental and bureau leadership with a better understanding of which activities do or do not occur at individual monuments and the status of those activities.

Accordingly, for each covered monument, the report should list which of the listed activities occurred at each monument prior to designation, which now occur at that monument, whether they have been reduced or restricted since designation, and if so, why. This should be followed with a brief (one sentence to no more than a page) explanation of reductions or restrictions on the activities, where applicable.

c) Priorities for Development or Review of management plans – the highest priorities are for those Monuments where development of or revisions in management plans were specifically called for in the Report to the President:

Bears Ears, Cascade-Siskiyou, Gold Butte, Grand Staircase-Escalante, Katahdin Woods and Waters, Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks and Rio Grande Del Norte.

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followed by those that were reviewed and not listed above.

### 3) Future actions

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